



ROCKFORD POLICE DEPARTMENT

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TRAFFIC RELEASE

DATE & TIME **10/14/08 8:24 AM**

Bureau: **Support Services Bureau**

Authorized Supervisor: **Lieutenant Dane Person**

Phone: **(815) 987-5835**

Incident: **Hit and Run Serious Injury Crash**

MESSAGE

On 10/14/18 at approximately 2:02 AM, members of the Rockford Police Department were flagged down in the 500 block of East State Street in reference to serious hit and run crash. Witnesses advised that a subject had been struck by a vehicle out in the street in front of the Office Tap Bar. This person was then dragged by the vehicle, eastbound on State Street, then southbound on South 6th Street. When officers arrived, both the involved vehicle and victim were gone from the scene.

Minutes later, police responded to a call of a subject lying in the street in the 1500 block of 5th Av. This individual, a 21 year old male, was lying injured and unconscious in the street. His identity was determined and it was found that he was the victim of the victim of the earlier reported hit and run. The victim was transported to Swedish American Hospital by Rockford Fire Department. His injuries are considered to be life threatening. His name is not being released pending notification of family.

Witnesses describe the fleeing vehicle as a light blue or green, older model 2-door, possibly a Mitsubishi Eclipse or Plymouth Laser. Witnesses describe the vehicle being occupied by two subjects.

The circumstances of how the accident occurred is still under investigation.

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Anyone with information pertaining to the identity or whereabouts of this vehicle, or its occupants, is encouraged to call the Rockford Police Department at (815) 987-5824 or Crimestoppers at (815) 963-7867.

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